

Color Telecasts Feature Graham, Harvey



BILLY GRAHAM (above) will be the featured speaker in the three color telecasts to be shown in 39 cities across the nation. Paul Harvey, noted radio and television commentator, (below), will narrate-host for the showings. Themes for Dr. Graham's television messages will be "Youth," "The Home," and "The Nation and its Individual's Part in It." Harvey delivers a poignant monologue at the beginning of each telecast on a subject in keeping with the theme.



N. O. Trustees Hear Fund Drive Report

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—The board of trustees for New Orleans Baptist Seminary meeting here granted across-the-board salary increases to faculty members, and heard a progress report on a \$2 million fund campaign to raise money for increased faculty salaries and for student aid.

The three-day meeting here was described as "progressive and congenial" by the trustees' president, A. Morgan Brian of New Orleans.

There was no discussion of two recent faculty resignations at the seminary, according to F. Stanley Hardee, Jr., assistant to the president of the seminary.

Hardee referred to widely-publicized resignations during the past six weeks by Professors Robert Solleau and Clark Pinnock, both of the seminary's School of Theology.

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Three entertaining, inspirational color telecasts will be shown here and in some 39 other cities across the nation as part of the massive Crusade of the Americas evangelism campaign.

Featuring noted commentator Paul Harvey as narrator and host and the thought-provoking messages of Evangelist Billy Graham, the telecasts have been scheduled to coincide with local evangelistic Crusade meetings.

Themes for Dr. Graham's TV comments will be "Youth," "The Home" and "The Nation and the Individual's Part in It."

Harvey delivers a poignant monologue at the beginning of each show on a subject in keeping with the theme of that telecast.

In each of his messages, Dr. Graham will stress the Crusade of the Americas theme, "Christ the Only Hope." This is not just a slogan, he says, but a historic fact—Christ is the only hope for every individual in this modern age.

Entertaining, inspirational music is provided by the Singing Churchmen of Oklahoma, comprised of music directors from Oklahoma Baptist churches, a young singing group called the Tuneclipper from Oklahoma Baptist University, and soloist Joe Ann Shelton. Miss Shelton is program music director for the Radio-TV Commission and featured soloist on "The Baptist Hour" radio series.

The Crusade of the Americas involves more than 25 million Baptists in the most far-reaching evangelistic effort in the history of the denomination. It grew out of a two-year evangelism campaign staged by Brazilian Baptists in 1964-65.

Some 38 Baptist bodies in 28 countries of North, Central and South America are participating.

Pastor Lopes is serving as president of the Crusade Central Coordi-

Room Requests

Heavy for SBC

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—Requests for hotel-motel rooms in New Orleans for the Southern Baptist Convention are running extremely heavy, the chairman of the convention's housing bureau said.

Already, nearly 8,000 requests for rooms have been processed by the housing bureau, said G. Avery Lee, pastor of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church here.

Lee requested Southern Baptists who already have sent in their room applications to "please be patient" if the request had not yet been confirmed. He explained that the housing bureau had been flooded with requests, and was processing several hundred requests daily.

For those who plan to attend the convention but have not yet sent in a request, Lee urged such persons to do so immediately by writing the SBC Housing Bureau, 400 Royal St., New Orleans, La., 70130.

It is imperative to give the following specific information, he said: Date of arrival and departure, type of accommodation, names of occupants. "Not to do so will delay your confirmation," Lee said.

He cautioned against telephoning the housing bureau, explaining that one phone call takes as much time to process as ten written requests.

The housing committee chairman said that 28 hotels and motels are already filled in New Orleans during the week of the convention, June 10-13, so late applicants may not get the place of their choice.

Some additional rooms have been available, however, and three new hotels are scheduled to open in time for the convention, he said. There are no rooms in private homes at this point, Lee added.

ating Committee. Dr. Wayne DeLoney, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, is coordinator for North America.

The objectives of the Crusade, as set forth by the Central Coordinating Committee, are: 1. A deepening of spiritual life within the churches, homes and individual Christians. 2. The evangelizing of the American continents. 3. The establishment of true moral and spiritual bases for the

betterment of mankind's economic, social and physical welfare.

The three telecasts, representing the largest single evangelistic thrust of the two-continent crusade, were produced by Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission, directed by Dr. Paul M. Stevens, in cooperation with the evangelism division of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Purchase of TV time for the shows

was underwritten by the evangelism division.

The stations to carry the telecasts are listed below:

STATION	DATE	TIME
Mobile, WALA-TV	3/17	6:30 P.M.
	3/18	7:30 P.M.
	3/19	8:30 P.M.
New Orleans, WVUE-TV	3/13	7:30 P.M.
	3/14	8:30 P.M.
	3/15	9:30 P.M.
Jackson, WJTV-TV	3/17	6:30 P.M.
	3/18	7:30 P.M.
	3/19	8:30 P.M.
Memphis, WNBQ-TV	3/14	6:30 P.M.
	3/15	7:30 P.M.

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Foundation Executives

Concerted Financial Drive Urged For SBC



SEVERAL ATTENDING the annual meeting of Baptist Foundation Executives in Jackson at Downtowner Motor Inn have moment of fellowship prior to the meeting. Pictured are, from left, Dr. Thomas Nelson, executive secretary of Mississippi Foundation; Mitchell Cadwell, insurance executive of Dallas, speaker; Dr. Thomas Nelson, secretary of Missouri Baptist Foundation and association president; Delmar Simmons, of Jackson, president of board of Mississippi Foundation, and Thomas Carter, Oklahoma, chairman of program committee.

Action Of Mercer Historic, Reaction Would Indicate

MACON, Ga. (BP)—Instantaneous reaction to the action by Mercer University trustees here to seek three federal grants for building construction seems to indicate the trustees' vote was one of Georgia Baptists' more historic moments.

The Mercer board voted to apply for \$570,000 in matching federal grants for a new infirmary, an auditorium, and a physical education building. The trustees knew well that the Georgia Baptist Convention has three times in the past five years voted to refuse federal funds of any kind for its schools.

Reaction was immediate, in both the secular and religious press.

The Macon Telegraph, whose general manager Bert Struby is a Mercer trustee, carried an editorial commanding the Mercer trustees "for its strong sense of duty and its determination to do what is in the best interest of the university."

"Had the trustees, against their bet-

ter judgment, knuckled under to the convention's recommendation, they would have nullified any reason for having a board of trustees," added the Macon editorial "and worse they would have acted dishonorably toward Mercer, themselves and the Georgia Baptist Convention."

The Atlanta Journal said editorially, "We applaud the decision (by Mercer) to seek federal funds, as well as the obvious determination of the Mercer governing body to keep control of its own destiny."

From the student body at Mercer, the reaction was even stronger.

The president of the Student Government Association at the Baptist school said that 750 students had signed a petition giving "overwhelming" approval of the trustees' action.

"We view the action of the board as nothing short of live-saving," said Edwin Bacon of Jesup, Ga., the student government leader. "We are very

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Dr. Hudgins Installed As Executive Secretary



Scene during installation service shows Dr. Hudgins in center, Dan C. Hall at left with Rev. James Richardson of Leland at right.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins was formally installed as Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board in an impressive service held Friday afternoon at the new Mississippi Baptist Convention Building in Jackson.

Dr. W. Levon Moore, pastor of First Baptist Church, Pontotoc, and president of the Board, presided over the service, which was attended by members of the Convention Board and guests.

The principal speaker was Dr. James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary of the Baptist-Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Sullivan, a native of Mississippi, is well and widely-known in Mississippi where he has visited many times.

He was formerly pastor of First Baptist Church in Clinton as well as pastor of First Baptist Church in Brookhaven.

Scripture reading was by Dr. Joe

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25,000 Pact Prayer Partners In Crusade Of Americas Effort

BIRMINGHAM (BP)—More than 25,000 prayer partners — this is the result of Pact, an effort to bind Baptists of the Western Hemisphere together in prayer support for the Crusade of the Americas.

Applications for prayer partners have been flowing into the Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union headquarters here for a year. The final count of applicants when the last cards were matched was 50,230.

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, Pact coordinator, reported that the applications represented 2,621 churches, 8,277 groups

(such as Sunday School classes and Women's Missionary Union groups), 7,846 families, and 31,486 individuals.

She said there is no way to estimate the number of individuals participating with their churches, organizations, groups and families.

Pact partners are from 49 of the 50 United States, 27 other North and South American countries, 24 APO addresses (mostly servicemen and government workers abroad), Ghana, Lebanon, England and Okinawa.

"Now that the technicalities of

forming partners are over, the important work of praying is underway," said Mrs. Mathis, a vice president of the Baptist World Alliance and director of the promotion division of WMU.

"We hope that every effort of the Crusade of the Americas will be strengthened by concerted prayer, even though partners may be separated by distance and language," she continued. "Their hopes and prayers during the crusade will be identical."

Mrs. Mathis outlined several activi-

ties for Pact partners during the crusade. First is to pray daily according to the crusade calendar in a leaflet distributed to all partners, and available on request to persons without partners from the WMU office at 600 North 20th Street here.

Partners are also encouraged to correspond with each other, even if they do not understand each other's language. "They can share prayer requests and crusade plans," Mrs. Mathis said.

A man in Mexico is typical of several persons who asked the Pact office

for help in urging such correspondence. "I still do not understand why my partner has not written, but I continue to pray for her, her church, for her parents and for the crusade," he wrote.

Deadline for applying for a Pact partner was to have been Dec. 31, 1968. Because the mail kept on coming, Pact personnel continued to assign partners through Feb. 9.

A Sunday School class that missed the deadline wrote: "Since we can't have a prayer partner from somewhere else, we are choosing each other for partners."

Mrs. Mathis said she would like to pass on this suggestion to others who are too late in requesting partners. She said anyone can participate in Pact simply by praying for the crusade in private with the partner or in his church. The Pact leaflet is available to any who desire it, she added.

Mrs. E. A. Fowler, secretary to Mrs. Mathis and chief Pact clerk estimated that 150 Pact assignments have been returned marked address unknown or moved. Persons who have applied but not received a partner by this date should write the Pact office right away, she said.

Mercer U's Historic Action

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grateful to the trustees... for making possible the continuation of the quality of Christian education that Mercer has been noted for in the past."

Reaction from at least one Georgia Baptist church in official action, however, was on the other extreme.

"If the program at Mercer has grown to the extent that a 'handout' from the federal government must be obtained in order to continue, then the program is too big and should be reduced," said a resolution adopted by the Baptist church at Sunnyside, Ga.

The Sunnyside church's statement added that if "President Rufus C. Harris (of Mercer) and the trustees

are not happy in their position under the prevailing conditions, then let them resign, with our blessing, and find employment elsewhere."

The Christian Index, official publication of the Georgia Baptist Convention, published a full page of letters to the editor in its Feb. 27 issue, and two pages of such letters, all dealing with the Mercer action, in its March 6 issue.

Editor Jack U. Harwell said that the letters are about evenly divided between those who want to reverse the trustee action and bring the university back in line with the convention's rulings, and those who feel the school should be deeded to the trustees and become a private institution.

The Christian Index earlier had carried a full-page editorial by the editor who called Mercer's action "a declaration of desperation."

Harwell urged that Georgia Baptists deed the university to the trustees and sponsor a Christianity department or Baptist center adjacent to campus.

"My personal belief is that the principle of religious liberty and private support of religious institutions is more important than the university's denominational affiliation," Harwell said.

But the Georgia editor added: "I am told that I am in a dwindling minority in holding such a belief."

John Roberts, editor of the South Carolina Baptist Courier, seemed to agree when he wrote: "Many perhaps a growing number of Baptists in South Carolina, now believe that federal building grants for the denomination's schools is no longer of question of whether, but when."

Roberts added: "Our state will therefore be not only interested, but involved spectators as Georgia Baptists pursue their course (in regard to the Mercer action.)

Hudson Baggett, editor of The Alabama Baptist, called the Mercer trustee action "a straw in the wind," saying "no doubt Mercer's action is a straw in the wind which may indicate the direction other schools will take."

The historic significance of the Mercer action, and the effect it will have on other Baptist colleges and universities, is, of course, yet to be seen.

Consultant Named In Church Recreation

NASHVILLE (BP)—Neil Jackson of Nashville has been named administration consultant in the church recreation department, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A native of Cedar Lake, Ind., Jackson has a bachelor of arts in Biblical degree from Bob Jones University, Greenville, S. C., and a master of religious education degree from Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth.

Southeastern Names Preaching Professor

WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP)—John W. Carlton of Louisville, Ky., has been elected to the faculty of Southeastern Baptist Seminary here as professor of preaching, effective Aug. 1, 1969.

Carlton has accepted also a part-time relationship with the Divinity School of Duke University as adjunct professor of preaching.

Since 1962, he has been a member of the faculty at The Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville. Previously he was associate professor of preaching at the Divinity School of Duke University.



DR. HUGDINS ISINSTALLED

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T. Odie Jackson, Editor of the Baptist Record, with invocation given by Dr. Bob Simmons, of Meridian, member of Executive Committee of the Convention Board.

Dan C. Hall, Jackson, director of the Music Department of the Convention Board, led music with Mrs. Dawn Gandy of Jackson singing a solo.

The Executive Secretary was presented by Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, of Tupelo, Chairman of the Executive Committee with Rev. James Richardson of Leland, a member of the committee, leading in the ceremony of dedication.

Prayer of dedication was led by Dr. John G. McCall, pastor of First Baptist Church in Vicksburg and president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Dr. Hudgins spoke following the dedicatory prayer and benediction was pronounced by Dr. George Purvis, Jackson physician.

Miss Hazel Chisholm, organist of First Baptist Church, was at the organ for the service.

Following the installation an informal reception was held for Dr. Hudgins, with open house held at the building from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m.

A reception to which the public was invited was held at the building from 8:00 until 10:00 p.m. with several hundred people from many parts of the state attending as well as those from out-of-state.

Those in receiving line at the reception were Dr. and Mrs. Moore, Dr. and Mrs. McCall, Dr. and Mrs. Hamblin and Dr. and Mrs. Hudgins.

Southwestern Students Plan 'Pioneer' Effort

FORT WORTH (BP)—For the 11th consecutive year, students at Southwestern Baptist Seminary here will participate in a field evangelism program tagged "Pioneer Penetration."

More than 100 students have applied to be a part of the 1969 venture which will take them into a dozen states for evangelistic campaigns as a part of the Crusade of the Americas, a hemisphere-wide 1969 Baptist evangelism effort.

"Pioneer Penetration" is underwritten by the seminary and the Panhandle Baptist Foundation, Inc., a foundation operated by a group of laymen in West Texas interested in evangelism and missions and headed by C. J. Humphrey of Amarillo, Texas.

Revival Dates

Vancleave (Jackson County), March 9-14; 10:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m. Rev. Larry G. Johnson, New Orleans Seminary evangelist; Rev. Dan Havens, New Orleans Seminary, leading music Rev. Ralph H. Scott, pastor.

Baptist Foundation Executives Meet In Jackson

The Association of Baptist Foundation Executives met in Jackson Feb. 25-27. Top photo at left shows guests at the Fellowship Dinner held at the Heidelberg Hotel on Tuesday night. Bottom photo, left, is a view of the speakers' table at the Fellowship Dinner. Center, below, is Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, former executive secretary, Mississippi Baptist Foundation, now retired, who was introduced. Bottom, right, are newly elected officers of the Association of Baptist Foundation Executives. From left: Vernon Yearby, Montgomery, Ala., secretary-treasurer, (reelected); Gus Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla., president; and Glenn E. Crofts, Phoenix, Ariz., vice-president.



A Tribute To W. Goebel Mize

By Paul N. Nunnery, Superintendent
The Baptist Children's Village

Statistical records will reflect that he terminated 25 years of service to Baptist Child Care on October 15, 1960 when his resignation as Superintendent of Mississippi Baptist Orphanage became effective, even as statistical records will reflect that he departed this life for a more rewarding one on February 21, 1969. However accurate, these statistics fall short of the measure of the man and the meaning of his life to his Lord and to little children who have been chosen by God and God's people in such a special way. The measure of W. G. Mize as a man and the meaning of his life to children and to Mississippi Baptist child care in particular will never end.

Mr. Mize assumed administrative and executive leadership of Baptist child care in Mississippi at one of those more difficult and critical moments - October 20, 1935. Our institution was in debt. Our state and our nation was yet floundering from the severe economic blows of "the great depression". As a result, hundreds of Mississippi children and their families needed the help of a church's child care program as never before, and as a companion result, funds for the operation of this significant mission endeavor were woefully inadequate. In the face of these conditions of almost indescribable disappointment and difficulty, Goebel Mize brought the vision, the inspiration and the leadership which resulted in the construction of some 20 new buildings and the institution and pursuit of a program of child care which successfully bridged the gap between the old "Orphanage" concept of Christian child care to the new and more Christ-like, multi-service ministry to dependent children and their families. When he left the active service of his office on October 15, 1960, he left debt-free assets valued at more than \$1,125,000, and another statistical record reflecting Christian services to a total of 1,766 dependent boys and girls during his tenure as superintendent. During the same period his concern for children and for Christian influence extended beyond the borders of our state as he became one of the organizers and charter members of Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists, a cooperative association of Southern Baptist Child Care leadership whose membership now extends across 20 states, offering Christian care and training at the present writing, each year to approximately 7,000 children. The first meeting of this mighty force for Christ with children was hosted by Mr. Mize on the Village campus in Jackson.

And yet - these statistics fall short of the measure of the man and the meaning of his life. The most accurate measure and the real meaning is found, living and serving, in the hearts and lives of hundreds of men and women, stable and productive who are good citizens, who have established and maintained their own homes, and who serve God and their fellowman as a direct result of the efforts of Mississippi Baptists in child care - a ministry and a mission, which for them, is represented in a very personal, timeless and almost

eternal fashion of the life and memory of W. G. Mize.

A member of his beloved natural family has recently said to this writer, "His hobby was people," and so it was. Much of what is good and lasting about the Children's Village, much about child care in Mississippi which surely must be pleasing to Almighty God, is the direct result of the investment of his life, a life which will never die. This writer was privileged to be associated with him as a

trustee during the closing years of his active administration. He is honored and challenged by the awesome assignment of attempting, however inadequately, to fill his shoes as the human father of so many children; he is both profited and inspired by the glorious tradition of a mission field for children - a tradition which in such large measure continues to live as the direct result of the energy and effort and living Christian influence of W. G. Mize.

ANNIE ARMSTRONG OFFERING GOAL FOR THE STATE IS \$275,000

The state goal for the Annie Armstrong offering for the Home Mission Week of Prayer is \$275,000 instead of the figure of \$100,000 as stated on page one of last week's issue of the Baptist Record.

A total of \$252,000 was given in the state for the offering last year. The Baptist Record regrets the error and is glad to make the correction.

NEWS BRIEFS

Union Awards Editor Teacher Top Awards

JACKSON, Tenn. (BP) — The editor of the Baptist Standard, state Baptist paper in Texas, John J. Hurt, of Dallas, has been named to receive a distinguished service award by Union University, a Baptist school here.

Hurt, a 1931 graduate of Union University, received the award along with presentation of a distinguished alumni award to Albert A. Stone, general manager of the Jackson Sun here, and a distinguished faculty and staff achievement award to Gladys Stone of Jackson

First Gospel Broadcast To Berbers

MONTE CARLO (EP) — The Christian message in the Berber language is now heard in a weekly 15-minute broadcasting schedule via Trans World Radio-Monte Carlo, it was announced by Dr. Ralph Freed, General Director.

This historic broadcast marks the first time that the Christian message has ever been given to the approximately 7,000,000 Berber-speaking people of Morocco through radio.

ABC Shows Net Gain Of 17,656

VALLEY FORGE, Pa. (EP) — The 6,006 American Baptist churches served by 5,402 pastors showed an increase of 17,656 in membership during 1967.

The figures are based upon the annual reports from local churches. Actual figures reported were used for the analysis which does not include estimates where churches failed to give information.

The analysis of church statistics, made by Dr. Pearl Rosser, executive director, division of program planning, American Baptist Convention, states that church membership totals 1,474,181.

Windhoek Church Baptizes Four

Four adults were baptized January 19 in the first baptismal service conducted by Rev. Charles D. Whitson, missionary associate, since he became pastor of the English-language Baptist church in Windhoek, capital of South West Africa.

Rev. and Mrs. Whitson arrived in Windhoek in July, 1968, as the first Southern Baptist missionaries to South West Africa. Since then the church has added six members, and three candidates were scheduled to be baptized February 16.

The Whitsons have begun a Friday night youth fellowship in their home, with daughters Deborah and Virginia taking leading roles. Mr. Whitson has also helped to start a Sunday School among a small group of Baptists at Walvis Bay, the chief seaport in South West Africa.

Guatemala Baptists Report To Newsmen

Eight representatives of news media in Guatemala have been briefed on progress of the Crusade of the Americas evangelistic effort at a dinner held by the Guatemalan Baptist Convention.

Rev. Ervin E. Hasty, Southern Baptist missionary and Crusade coordinator for Mexico and Central America, was guest of honor at the dinner, the first such function. Guatemalan Baptists have sponsored for newsmen Mt. Hasty reported on international activities of the Crusade, and directors of the departments of the Guatemalan convention reported on activities for which they have responsibility.

Concerted Drive Urged

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ardship Commission, Nashville, Tenn. speaking said "There is hunger in the human heart for immortality."

Dr. Moore, a native of Tupelo, continuing, said:

"Man wants to know that he will live beyond the grave, but he wants more. He wants to know that a significant part of what he does on this earth will last beyond death."

"We see evidence of this hunger for immortality on every hand. Immortal money is that which is dedicated to service to persons in the name of Christ."

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Rev. Ernest R. Wells (pictured) will be the evangelist. He is associate pastor of First Church, New Orleans, La. He is a graduate of North-Western College and Southwestern Seminary. He participated in the Evangelistic Crusade in the New Life Crusade of Japan, in 1963, and has preached in Hawaii, Philippines, and Hong Kong.

Music director for this crusade will be Danny Martinez, minister of music in Central Church, McComb. Mr. Martinez holds a B.A. degree from the California Baptist College in Riverside, California, and is a senior at New Orleans Seminary.

Pastors of sponsoring churches, with a combined membership of approximately 11,000, are Rev. Bobby Boswell, Rev. Tommy Wood, Rev. Danny Hood, Rev. Elton Moore, Rev. Jerry Nixon, and Rev. Bert Bounds.



Joe H. Cothen, and Harry L. Eskew (Music history), all from assistant professor to associate professor; and Randall Veazey from voice instructor to assistant professor.

Brian, an attorney for the firm of Deutsch, Kerrigan and Stiles in New Orleans, was reelected president of the board of trustees.

Other officers re-elected were Don B. Roush, an executive with the Mississippi and Coastal Chemical Corp., Yazoo City, Miss., as vice president; Cecil M. Girard, a New Orleans geophysicist, as secretary; and Edward Wood, a New Orleans financier, as treasurer.

God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.

—Henry Alford



Tyro Is Tenth In Per Capita Giving

The Tyro Baptist Church of State Association was number 10 in the state in per capita giving to missions through the Cooperative Program in 1967-68. This is one of the smallest churches, having only 41 members as reported in 1967 minutes.

According to the pastor, Rev. Don Stanfill, this was achieved because of the great mission spirit in the hearts of the people. This has been developed over many years. The Cooperative Program receives 20% of undesignated receipts.

The pastor serves this church half time and also works in the laboratory of the Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Religious Emphasis Week At Village Set Mar. 10-16

During the week of March 10-16, the Annual Religious Emphasis Week will be observed on the campus of The Baptist Children's Village in Jackson.

For the first time, this period of spiritual emphasis, which was instituted as a permanent part of the Village program in the year 1961, will be conducted in the impressively beautiful chapel, recently completed and situated on the highest hill in the center of the campus.

The Village administration has stated that this annual period of spiritual enrichment has contributed significantly to each year of Christian home training afforded dependent boys and girls at the child care agency of Mississippi Baptists, and has developed to be most effective at this

particular time of the year when Village children observe a brief holiday from the public schools during the annual teacher's meeting.

It has been emphasized that Religious Emphasis Week at The Baptist Children's Village is not designed as a revival nor as a series of Evangelistic services, for all Village children attend and support Baptist churches of the city of Jackson regularly, including the revival emphases of those churches.

The Village's Religious Emphasis Week is designed as spiritual therapy and as a concentrated effort in the teaching of moral values to younger children, the encouraging of local church loyalties, and as vocational direction along Christian lines for older boys and girls.

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Golden Gate Grad

Thanks Convention For His Education

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, after a two-day struggle in trying to meet 1970 budget needs with an inadequate amount of money, ended on a positive note with an unexpected testimony from a direct recipient of the budget funds.

Porter W. Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee, read to the 58-member group and visitors a letter he had just received from Delmer Allen, the pastor of Rollingwood Baptist Church in San Pablo, Calif. He wrote:

"I recently completed my course of study for the master of divinity degree at Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. Hallelujah!

"I want to thank Southern Baptists for their financial support for making this possible at a minimum cost to me, personally. I don't know how you can say it, or how the people will know, but wherever you have the opportunity, tell them of my gratitude."

"My prayer is that my life for the next years will be more effective because of the concern of Southern Baptists for training their ministers."

Immediately after Routh read the letter, former SBC President H. Franklin Paschall of Nashville told the Executive Committee: "We may feel we are not doing so well, but we need to thank God for what we have instead of complaining about what we don't have."

Rev. Karl K. McGraw, director of activities at the Baptist Children's Village, is the director of Religious Emphasis Week, and has again this year planned a program which includes evening inspirational services at the Village chapel, and day-time work shops and discussion groups for boys and girls of all ages.

Rev. Maurice Clayton, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Jackson will bring the messages at each of the inspirational services, with special music provided by "The Treble Teens" and other choral groups from the Village's Department of Music under the leadership of Jan Nix, director of the department of music. Various Jackson personalities and campus leaders will provide the leadership for the day-time activities.

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A Vatican Representative

Rumors continue to persist that President Nixon is giving serious consideration to the appointment of a "Personal Representative to the Vatican."

We have checked on this report with the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, and it appears that thus far these are mere rumors and nothing more. However, they continue, and it seems evident that someone is putting pressure on the President to make such an appointment.

The President could make no more serious mistake in his administration than to make such an appointment. There is absolutely no reason for making it, since the Vatican is not in actuality a state, even though it persists in making such a claim.

The Vatican is a world religious organization and nothing more. There is no more reason to send a "representative" to the Vatican, than to the head of the Baptist World Alliance, to the world Methodist organization, or to the World Lutheran Federation. These are religious organizations and nothing more. They do not represent governments or nations, and should not be given such recognition.

Such an appointment by the President could only create dissension and division in our nation at a time when he has set a program of bringing the nation "together." In recent years there has been a new spirit of understanding between Roman Catholics, Protestants and Evangelical groups. This does not necessarily mean compromise on the part of those in the "dialogue" now taking place, but it does mean that men can know one another, and talk to one another, even though they disagree in their beliefs and teachings. Such a spirit is needed, and is helpful, but it will be hindered, and may even be destroyed, if efforts are made to give one group some special political favor or recognition. This issue has been raised before and created much discord at the time. It will bring that again, should such an appointment be made now.

President Nixon will be well advised to lay aside for all time any further consideration of such an appointment. Any religious group not ready to work with this or any other government, for world peace and understanding, without some special recognition by our government, will not make much of a contribution to what the government is seeking to do anyway.

We are convinced that the feeling of most Southern Baptist in this matter was made very clear in the statement issued by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in its recent meeting in Nashville. That statement, in full, is as follows:

A Statement to the President of the United States

Persistent reports that the Unit-

ed State Government is considering the use of an official representative to the Vatican have caused considerable concern among us. We respectfully submit to you our conviction that the overwhelming majority of eleven million church members affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention would not favor such an official representation to any religious body.

We would urge the preservation and strengthening of the American tradition of free churches in a free society. This great American innovation is still a wise arrangement of relations between church and state. It means that all religious groups stand on the same footing in this land.

There is a growing mutual spirit of respect and good will among the various religious bodies in the United States today. We feel that this new spirit of openness and trust would suffer if churches, Catholic, Protestant, or otherwise, tried to reassert or claim old political prerogatives on the European model. American representation to the Vatican would not aid our progress away from rivalry and fear.

In June, 1968, the Southern Baptist Convention, in session voted a far-reaching statement concerning the crises which are dividing this nation. It said in part, "We will strive by personal initiative and every appropriate means of communication to bridge divisive barriers, to work for reconciliation, and to open channels of fellowship and cooperation." We re-assert our intention to be that kind of Christian influence in this revolutionary time.

We would not want to see any church "used" even for worthy purposes of foreign policy, nor for the administration of domestic policies of state. We understand the Constitution of the United States to stipulate an assumption of government that churches are essentially spiritual bodies without special political powers. The churches make their impact with the use of state power to control or compel.

The appointment of a special representative to the Vatican would, in our opinion, seriously erode civic and religious good will in this country. Perhaps more importantly, it would be, we believe, an unfortunate step backwards in American political theory and practice, and in the separate and proper functioning of church and state. We urge that you do not assign to any church either the roles or the functions of government.

We share in the hopes that you have expressed for uniting America, and we pray that men of good will may join in every worthy effort to achieve justice and peace at home and abroad. The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention Meeting in session, Nashville, Tennessee, February 19, 1969

W. G. Mize, A Dedicated Leader

Mississippi Baptists lost one of their most dedicated and effective denominational leaders of the middle twentieth century, in the sudden death last week of W. G. Mize.

For twenty-five years Mr. Mize served as superintendent of the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, now officially known as The Children's Village. His retirement was nine years ago. He also had managed the Baptist Book Store in Jackson for several years.

For a quarter of a century he gave himself unreservedly to a ministry to needy children of the state, and he and Mrs. Mize worked together to make the Mississippi institution one of the strongest of its kind in the mid-South. Numerous new buildings were erected under his leadership, and the whole program of

child-ministry was enlarged and strengthened.

All of us who attended district associational meetings during the period, will remember how that Mr. and Mrs. Mize appeared at literally dozens of these meetings each year, with their report on the Orphanage and their appeals for continued support of the work for the children.

The greatest monument to Mr. Mize today is the large number of men and women in this and other states, and even around the world, who are serving God and humanity well, as outstanding and worthy citizens, because the orphanage gave a home and a start, and Mr. and Mrs. Mize and those who worked with them, gave the love and challenge which was needed.

All of us who knew him, thank God that Mr. Mize lived and served in our midst.

"QUOTABLES"

Selected by the editor from contemporary thought and opinion

Not what we gain, but what we give
Measures the worth of the life we live.

Good Christians make good citizens.

A man wrapped up in himself makes a pretty small parcel.
God goes in every gate, except the gate of heaven.

Daily prayers lessen daily cares.

Love's labor is never lost.

The Church is full of willing people; some are willing to work, and others are willing to let them.

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Thursday, March 6, 1969

Sabbath Lord



NEWEST BOOKS

KNOWING THE LIVING GOD by Harold L. Phillips (Warner Press, paperback, \$1.75, 128 pp.)

After a God who is knowable is presented, the author proceeds to show him as a God of love.

THE PREACHER: HIS LIFE AND WORK by J. H. Jowett (Baker, paperback, 239 pp., \$2.95)

For the preacher and the student of preaching, here are pointed, specific and practical lectures directed to those who seek to be more effective in the ministry. They were originally delivered in the Yale Lecture series.

Subjects discussed include the call to be a preacher, the pearls of the preacher, the preacher's themes, the preacher in his study, the preacher in his pulpit, the preacher in the home, and the preacher as a man of affairs.

THE APOSTLE PAUL, HIS LIFE AND WORK by Olaf Moe (Baker, 57 pp., paperback, \$3.95)

In this volume one finds a thorough discussion of the childhood and youth of Paul, with much information about the religious, social, and intellectual conditions of the period. The three great missionary journeys are studied carefully, based on the Book of Acts. Each of the Epistles of Paul is discussed. The author is a professor of New Testament exegesis in a seminary in Norway. The book was translated by L. A. Vigness of Minnesota.

BLESS THIS MESS, & OTHER PRAYER by Jo Carr and Imogene Shire (Abingdon, \$2.50, 112 pp.)

In everyday language two mothers and homemakers have written a sincere, believable book of prayers.

ON THE MORAL SCENE

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION, SEC

"During 1967 world population grew at the rate of 180,000 a day, or 63 million a year, to total of 3,420,000,000 by midyear. If the present rate of 1.9 percent annual growth continues, the total will double by the year 2006 — just 38 years' ahead. Three-quarters of mankind live in developing regions, more than half of the total in Asia. The population of mainland China is estimated at 720 million and is increasing by 1.4 percent annually. Annual rates of population increase for other areas: Central America, 3.5 percent; Latin America, 2.9 percent; Africa, 2.5 percent; Asia, 2 percent; North America, 1.3 percent; Soviet Union, 1.2 percent; Europe, 0.8 percent. More than half the population of North America lives in cities of at least 100,000 people. The world's four largest cities: Tokyo, 8,007,000; New York, 7,989,000; Shanghai, 6,900,000; Moscow, 6,422,000. (The Christian Century, 11-13-68)

"The migrant farmer needs more help than the Cuban refugee; perhaps, the latter often arrives with education and job skills. The Negro slum-dweller finds the unemployment rate twice as high as for whites; for teenagers unemployment is 25 percent, for female heads of poor families, 30 percent. Giving the migrant black the same care under a national program as the alien Cubans would be very expensive, of course. It would be unorthodox, too. Governor Rockefeller of New York proposed that Washington take over relief payments and equalize them among the states. New York's welfare payment to a family of four is five times Mississippi's. Rockefeller complains. That is reason that the mass migration occurs." (New Republic, 1-11-69)

PETER, FISHERMAN, DISCIPLE: APOSTLE by F. B. Meyer (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, \$1, 128 pp.)

A discerning study of Peter, his "contacts and conversations." F. B. Meyer felt that a true evaluation of the life of Peter is essential to an understanding of much of the New Testament.

24 PLANNED SERVICES FOR INSTALLATIONS, DEDICATIONS, AND DEVOTIONS by Oleta R. McDaniel (Baker, 128 pp., \$2.95)

In addition to installation services for officers for Sunday schools and other church groups, this book presents six brief talks suitable for dedication services for elected groups and leaders.

HANDY INTRODUCTIONS AND REPLIES by Amy Bolding (Baker, paperback, 105 pp., \$1.95)

INTRODUCTIONS, REPLIES, APPRECIATIONS, THANKS, WELCOMES, INSTALLATIONS, DEDICATIONS, A MARRIAGE CEREMONY, PRAYERS, AND OTHER HELPERS FOR SPEAKERS.

THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH by Ralph G. Turnbull (Baker, paperback, 109 pp., \$1.95)

A guide to the study of the Old Testament book of Nehemiah, by the pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Seattle, Wash.

PREACHING FROM PAUL by R. C. H. Lenski (Baker, paperback, 247 pp., \$2.95)

A book of sermons, sermon outlines, and "homiletic hints," with texts from Paul's preaching.

HOW WE FACED TRAGEDY edited by William J. Krutz (Baker, paperback, 74 pp., \$1.50)

Here are true stories of robust men and women who have faced with personal disaster, loss of a loved one, incurable illness, or poverty. The reader of these accounts will realize that true faith can move mountains!

JESUS AND THE TWELVE by Robert P. Meye (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 257 pp., \$4.95)

This discussion of the book of Mark calls attention to the emphasis given thereto to the theme of teaching. Jesus is presented as a teacher, and the disciples as recipients of a taught revelation.

IN CHRIST'S STEAD by Arthur J. Gossip (Baker, 247 pp., paperback, \$2.95)

These lectures on preaching were specifically prepared by an effective preacher, to be helpful to students of preaching. Arthur John Gossip (1873-1954) was a pastor in the Free Church of Scotland.

EPHESIANS, KEY WORDS OF THE INNER LIFE by F. B. Meyer (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, \$1, 115 pp.)

Fifteen chapters containing signs posted marked by key words of the inner life. "Put on the new man by faith," urged the author.

WAY INTO THE HOLIEST by F. B. Meyer (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, \$1, 199 pp.)

Expositions of the epistle to the Hebrews in which F. B. Meyer drew attention to many spiritual lessons to be found in a study of Christ, our Great High Priest.

ABRAHAM, FRIEND OF GOD by F. B. Meyer (Christian Literature Crusade, paperback, \$1, 150 pp.)

This well-loved study of the life of Abraham clearly shows the readier the way faith should grow. "Even from feeble beginnings faith can be encouraged to become the very centre of life," wrote Mr. Meyer.

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Quiet Talks

ON RELIGION IN LIFE

CHESTER E. SWOR

The Other Teen-Agers

The same day the newspapers carried on their front pages an account of a dastardly crime committed by two teen-agers in an eastern city. Two other boys — never mentioned by the publicity media — had given a demonstration of the encouraging fact that there are OTHER TEEN-AGERS who live unselfish, constructive lives, who do not carry guns, and do not wreak havoc in their communities.

The two boys, referred to above, were about to go into their church for a Sunday morning service when they noticed a flat tire on the car of a very splendid and active man of their church. They busied themselves to change the tire, leaving an unsigned note on the windshield indicating that they knew that he was busy about his church tasks and didn't have time to worry about the flat tire. Had someone else not seen the two boys at the Good Samaritan task, the recipient of their kindness would never have known their names!

More Of The Same

High school boys in another city volunteered to take care of the lawns of a family which was stricken by sickness and death. High school girls in another city took turns in

non-paying baby-sitting for a family whose father and mother were hospitalized from an accident. All over America there are magnificent teen-agers who choose even to undertake dangerous missions for the sake of others. Thousands of teen-agers in the Midwest performed night and day service in sand-bagging weak levees during a recent spring flood. A large book could be filled with episodes of challenging, courageous living on the part of a tremendous portion of our teen-agers. Many of them are as fine as our finest adults — and finer than some of their elders!

When the man whose tire had been fixed by the two boys, mentioned at the outset of this column, told me of the episode, I felt a lump of emotion in my throat and a surge of admiration in my heart. May God bless the wonderful teen-agers of whom there are so many in our land — and may God help the adults of us to live more inspiring before them, to understand them more fully, to love them more generously. And who knows; we might just witness a miracle of transformation in our nation! (Published by special arrangement with Dr. Swor)

THE BAPTIST FORUM

Dr. Criswell Has Diagnosed An Ill"

Dear Sir:

It seems to me that Dr. W. A. Criswell has diagnosed an ill of our annual convention and has prescribed a cure. He certainly cannot be accused of prejudice against good preaching, which the Pastors' Conference largely is, nor against evangelism.

I, too, have felt those extra-convention meetings detracted from the main reason we assembled. If we pastors cannot take the bad with the good in the business of our convention, it's no wonder in the average Baptist church of my knowledge that our people dislike monthly conference time in our churches.

Maybe we do not want democracy under Christ after all.

Incidentally, I for one feel that most of our boards and publications are challenging us to think and decide about current issues whether we like them or not and say or not. May the Lord deliver us and them from just promoting their work and share instead some of the problems they face.

Sincerely yours,

Robert B. Barnes
First Baptist Church
Poplarville, Miss.

Disapproves Parkway Church Action

Dear Dr. Odie:

It is my desire in this letter to go in opposition to the actions of the Parkway Baptist Church, Natchez,

EDUCATION WHAT'S HAPPENING
THE EDUCATION COMMISSION, SEC

Until just recently, the American college student was rather anonymous, content with attracting public attention by fads, pranks, and brawls. America as a whole looked to the university as an insulated, placid environment for quiet instruction and contemplation. It was the kind of educational process Robert Hutchins mordantly defined as follows:

"The college of liberal arts is partly high school, partly university, partly general, partly special. Frequently it looks like a teacher-training institution. Frequently it looks like nothing at all. The degree, it offers

Crusade Victories Reported In Mexico

The Crusade of the Americas' evangelistic campaign is just beginning in Mexico, but results are already being reported:

Twenty churches of the Guerrero Baptist association registered 582 professions of faith during their January 19-26 campaign.

Laymen are sacrificing hours of work to lend their support. One man sold his business to be able to devote most of his time to the campaign.

People are being called to the truth of the gospel through Crusade publicity, which proclaims "Cristo, la Unica Esperanza" (Christ, the Only Hope).

Rev. Ervin E. Haste, Crusade coordinator for Mexico and Central America, relates these accounts of in-

dividual experiences:

In Monterrey a young narcotics addict was waiting at the public market to buy drugs from friends. When they failed to show up, he began walking around, saw a Crusade sign in front of the First Baptist Church, and went inside. After hearing Alfonso Victor Munoz, a former addict, preach Christ as Saviour and Lord, the young man made a public profession of his faith. Later he accepted God's call to preach and is now a student at the Baptist theological seminary in Torreon.

In Guadalajara another man saw one of the Crusade announcements and began asking who was doing the publicity. He found his way to the Third Baptist Church and professed his faith in Christ. Now a mission is

meeting in his home.

In Mexico City the Crusade theme is announced boldly on a sign which is three stories high and faces So Juan de Letran Avenue. Recently a young man was leaving the city bus en route to Tijuana, Lower California, when he raised his eyes and "Esperanza." In this moment, he had services; youth fellowship Saturday his mother on arriving home, he had the most profound spiritual impression of his life.

"His mother and we missionaries are praying that this theme will be reality in his life," Haste writes. "Will you join us in this prayer?"

The three main regional meetings of the Mexico Crusade will be held March 30-April 6 in the central sector, May 25-June 1 in the north, and

October 12-19 in the south.

Missionary R. Henry Wolf, reporting on the early campaign in Guerrero association, says the 20 participating churches have been strengthened by the evangelistic undertaking.

adds Missionary Haste: "Here we can already say, 'To God be the glory, great things he hath done!'

Howell Named Pastor

Of Washington Church

WASHINGTON (BP) — John E. Howell, pastor of Northside Drive Baptist Church in Atlanta for three years, has been named pastor of the historic First Baptist Church of Washington, D. C.

Howell will succeed Edward Hughes Pruden, who is retiring after 32 years at the church just a few blocks from the White House. The church, organized in 1802, includes many government leaders in its membership.

Howell's resignation from the Atlanta church is effective about April 1. Before going to the Atlanta church three years ago, he was pastor of First Baptist Church, DeLand, Fla.



BMC Girls Count Money For "SUB" Drive

Kathy McKinney, left, Miami, Florida, (treasurer of the Blue Mountain College "SUB" drive, launched by the students toward their goal for aiding in the erection of a new Student Union Center on the campus,) and Nancy Chamberlain of Grenada, (president of the Student Government Association and a member of the "SUB" Steering Committee,) count the \$584.16 made on a week-end Concessions Sale in Ripley. This will be added to the more than \$9,000 which has been reported and which amount is growing daily.

Southeastern Founders Day Speaker Urges Youth Ministry

WAKE FOREST, N. C. (BP) — The provost of the University of Richmond, speaking at the Founders' Day observance at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here, issued a plea for the Southern Baptist Convention to address itself to the needs of the neglected majority of today's students.

Robert F. Smart of Richmond told the seminary faculty and students that he felt the mass communications media had given too much attention to small groups of dissident and militant students, and that a false image of today's youth has resulted.

"My close contact with college students through the years and my observations of their struggle for self identity convinces me that during these times of changing moral and ethical values, college students—with unique intensity—are seeking answers to age-old questions of religious faith and their role in the church,"

Smart said. "How can we do more to help and support a total ministry worthy of the world's respect, down

to earth in severanthood and willing to accept all truth, then we shall build the church in which youth can believe, and we shall capture him (youth) for Christ."

Smart, a native of Mississippi, is a trustee at Southeastern Seminary. Before becoming provost at the Baptist college in Richmond, he was professor of biology, chairman of the science and math division, and then dean.

Are These Yours?

The Sunday School Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, has received forty-seven "Life and Work Adult Sunday School teacher Guides" for April, May and June, from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Since the guides evidently have arrived, through mistake, at the wrong destination, they must have been ordered by some church. Are they yours?

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Soloist: Mrs. Martha Branham, Dallas, Texas

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7:00 Gord's Word, Music
7:15 CONFERENCES
8:35 Reassemble in Auditorium
8:40 Special Music—Martha Branham
8:50 "The Bible Speaks About 'Outreach'"
—Bill Causey

9:15 Adjourn

TUESDAY MORNING

9:00 God's Word, Music
9:10 Feature
9:25 Special Music—Martha Branham
9:40 "The Power of Positive Thinking"
—Bryant M. Cummings
10:10 Break
10:30 CONFERENCES
12:00 Adjourn

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 CONFERENCES
3:00 Adjourn

TUESDAY NIGHT

7:00 God's Word, Music
7:15 CONFERENCE
8:35 Reassemble in Auditorium
8:40 Special Music—Martha Branham
8:50 "The Bible Speaks About Christian Growth"—Earl Kelly
9:15 Adjourn

Song Leader: George VanEgmond, New Albany

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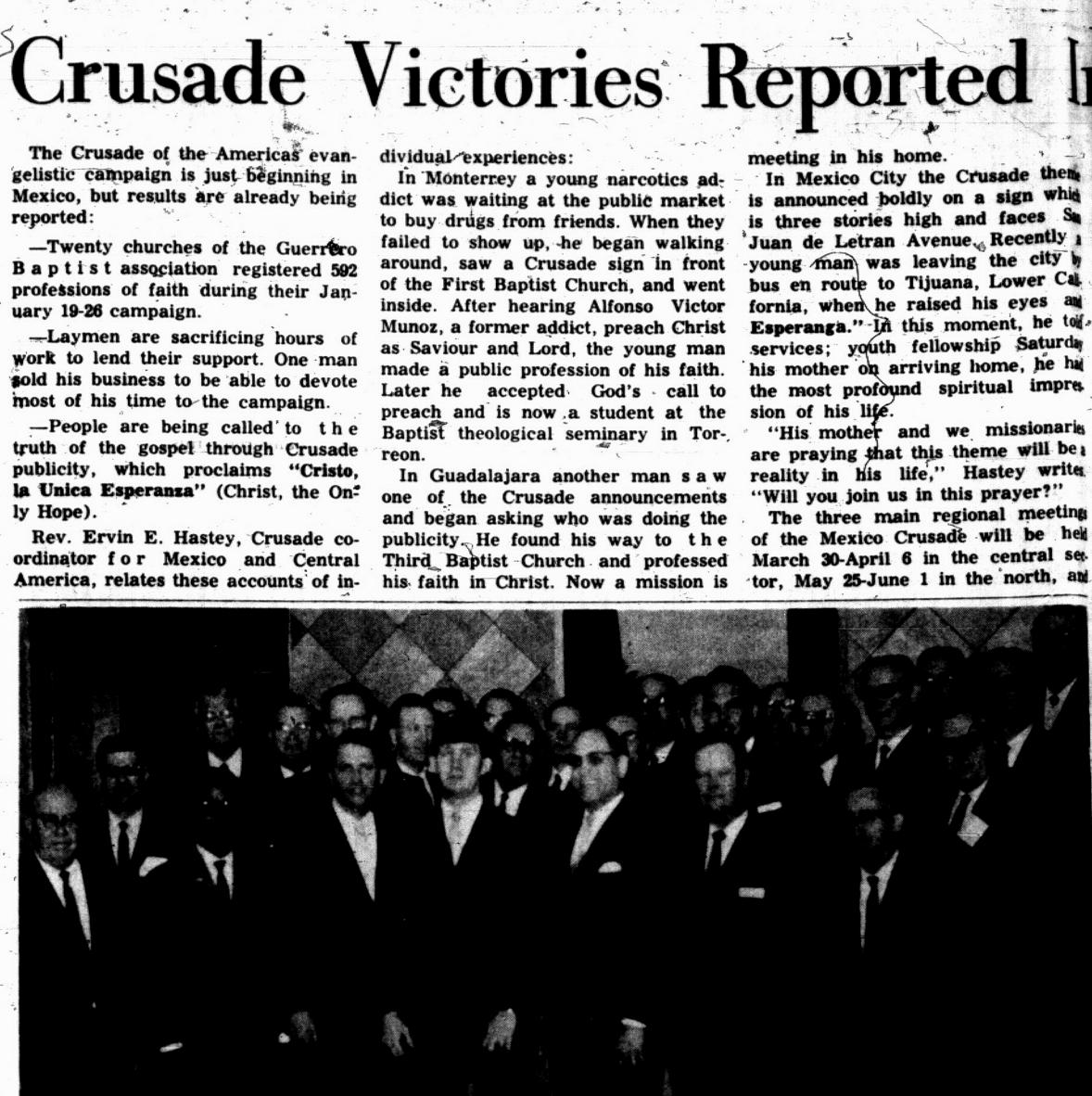
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Montana Pastors In Mississippi Suits

Pastors present at the Evangelistic Conference of the Northern Plains Baptist Convention February 5-6 in the Capitol Heights Baptist Church, Bismarck, North Dakota, are pictured, all wearing their Mississippi suits presented at Christmas time by the men in churches of Mississippi. About ninety-one suits were sent. "We take this means of expressing to you

and to the people of Mississippi our appreciation for this gesture. The Evangelistic Conference was the first time when a sizeable group of the men have been together since Christmas. Not all men were present who received suits, but these were," states Dr. J. T. Burdine, Jr., supt. of area missions for North Dakota.

Revival Dates

Harmony (Copiah): March 12-16; youth revival; Rev. Rory Lee, youth and education director at Harmony, evangelist; Ray Burke, in charge of music, and Miss Margaret Rochinski, pianist (both students at Mississippi College); Rev. John Espy, pastor.

Rawls Springs (Lebanon): March 9-14; Dr. Tommy Hight, pastor, East Gadsden Church, Gadsden, Alabama, evangelist; services at 10:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Monday through Friday; Rev. Bill Mitchell, pastor, in charge of music.

First Church, Winona: March 16-23; Rev. Jim Mcgregor, pastor.

Big Level (Lebanon): March 9-14; Rev. Jimmy Gandy, (pictured), Mobile, Alabama, evangelist; Mrs. Taylor Ballard, music director for Winona in charge of music; services Sunday at 11 and 6; Monday, Friday mornings at 7:00; Monday, Saturday evenings at 7:00; Rev. Jim Mcgregor, pastor.

Gum Grove (Lincoln): Crusade of the Americas emphasis; March 9-16; Rev. Vernon May, pastor, First Church, Louisville, evangelist; on Thursday night at 7:00 o'clock he will show slides of his recent trip to the Holy Land. Rev. B. E. Padgett, pastor.

Goodwater Church, Magee: March 9-14; Rev. Dan Morton, pastor, First Church, Amory, evangelist; Don Blackwell, Magee, song leader; services 7:00 p. m. with regular services on Sunday; Rev. V. Daniel West, pastor.

Rev. Joel E. Haire, pastor, Water Valley's First Church, evangelist; Mrs. Taylor Ballard, music director for Winona in charge of music; services Sunday at 11 and 6; Monday, Friday mornings at 7:00; Rev. Jim Mcgregor, pastor.

Crossroads Church, Pelahatchie: March 12-16; services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Rev. John Waid (pictured), evangelist; Rev. Charles Davis, pastor. Mr. Waid, native of Canton, graduate of Clarke and Mississippi Colleges, and former pastor in Scott County, is now a second year student at New Orleans Seminary.

Shady Grove, Hazlehurst: youth revival, "Crusade of Americas"; March 12-16; a team from Mississippi College consisting of Gary Googe, evangelist; Steve Cloud, song leader, and Trish Dunaway, pianist, will be leading; services at 7:00 each evening, concluding with regular Sunday services; youth fellowship Saturday night following worship hour; Rev. H. Glen Schilling, pastor.

Roxie Church: March 9-14; services at 10 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Rev. Charles Holtfield, pastor of Morgan Town Church, Natchez, evangelist; Bobby Davis of Roxie, singer; Rev. Horace Carpenter, pastor.

Pilgrim's Rest (Copiah): March 16-21; services each night at 7:30; Rev. Curtis James, Jackson, pastor at Pocahontas, guest speaker; Rev. Finley Evans, pastor; Edd Bush in charge of music.

Second Church, Indianola: March 2-9; Rev. Billy Smith, pastor; services 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Bill Thomas, Grand Saline, Texas, former pastor of Trinity Church, Whitehaven, Tennessee, evangelist.

Petal-Harvey Church, Petal: March 16-23; Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor; Dr. Gene Williams, Houston, Texas, evangelist; Vernon Bushell, song leader; Mrs. W. H. Clearman, organist; Mrs. Ruth Smith, pianist.

"The Restless Ones" To Be Released

To Churches On An Offering Basis

Robert Deline, representative of World Wide Pictures, distributors of Billy Graham Evangelistic Films, issues the following invitation to members of Mississippi Baptist churches:

"Knowing your deep concern for winning people to Christ, I am sure you will be interested in the fact that 'THE RESTLESS ONES' will be released to churches, on an offering basis, from May 15 through September 15. This will be a tremendous opportunity to reach people in your community for Christ."

Any church desiring to show the film, "The Restless Ones," should decide on the date they wish to show it, and contact Mr. Robert Deline, Box 431, Pontotoc, Mississippi 38863.

Mr. Deline asks that the churches send first, second, and third choices of dates.

More than 600 people watched the 45-minute ceremony while traffic pa-

New Zealand Maoris Welcome Graham

AUCKLAND, N. Z. — About 50 young New Zealand Maoris, dressed and armed in the manner in which they met settlers to the South Pacific Islands centuries ago, shouted, danced and sang the Maori words for welcome to Evangelist and Mrs. Billy Graham in a traditional ceremony here. Dr. Graham, accompanied also by members of his evangelistic team, arrived at Auckland Airport early this morning.

He flew in from Fiji for Crusade services February 27 to March 2, scheduled for Western Springs Stadium, normally a speedway track. One week later the Graham Team will go, for a one-day rally, to Dunedin—the most southern point of the Hemisphere in which they have ever held meetings. From Dunedin, the Team moves west to Australia for meetings in Melbourne March 14-23.

Dr. and Mrs. Graham stepped from the lobby of their downtown hotel today to be challenged by a Maori youth who wore only a flax skirt and beads and carried a long spear. The Grahams smiled and abruptly halted. Then the Maoris threw down twigs (tokens of peace and friendship) on the sidewalk before the visitors. Dr. Graham quickly bent over and picked up the small branches signifying that he accepted their welcome and came as a friend.

More than 600 people watched the 45-minute ceremony while traffic pa-

Ghana Church Holds Dedication Service

The Ebenezer Baptist Church in Kumasi, Ghana, dedicated the foundation stone of its new auditorium February 2. The service was held in the uncompleted building, on which work began five months ago.

With a Sunday morning attendance of more than 1,100, the church also plans to build an educational building and a pastor's house. When organized three years ago, the church had 290 charter members. A. O. Ojedokun is pastor.

MUSIC

1108 Participated In 1969 District Festivals

Piano participants	749
Vocal participants	48
Songleading participants	46
Organ participants	5
Orchestra participants	4
Workers	256

This was the largest number of individual participants and largest number of festivals — total of 24 festivals.

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR STATE YOUTH CHORAL FESTIVALS

The following churches have pre-registered for the State Choral Festivals.

March 4, — 15, 1969, at our four Baptist Colleges.

West Ellisville Baptist Church, Ellisville
First Baptist Church, Union
First Baptist Church, Ripley
First Baptist Church, Vicksburg

If you have not pre-registered your choir, you may use the form below.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM
1969 STATE YOUTH CHORAL FESTIVAL

Church _____ Association _____

Mailing Address _____

Number to attend Festival _____

Indicate type groups to be judged, if any _____

Will attend Festival held at _____ College _____

on March _____, 1969.

Music Director _____

Address _____

Return Pre-Registration Form immediately to the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205.

Home Life Assistant
To Edit WMU "Start"

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Mrs. Helen M. Allan, former assistant editor of Home Life magazine in Nashville, has been named editor of preschool materials for the Southern Baptist Women's Missionary Union (WMU) here.

Mrs. Allan will edit "Start," a new magazine which will be published in October of 1970 for leaders of preschool WMU groups.

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Bible Memory Program

MISS SUE THOMPSON, center, Blue Mountain College graduate, formerly of Booneville, now with the Bible Memory Program of St. Louis, Mo., recently addressed the BMC assembly and was met by the current editors of student publications immediately after the address so they might have additional information and materials concerning the program of Bible memory. Left to right: Kathie Wessels of Memphis, editor of THE MOUNTAIN BREEZE; Marilyn Bennett of New Albany, editor of the MOUNTAINEER; Miss Thompson, who as a BMC student served as editor of the campus newspaper; and Linda Gholston of Baldwyn, editor of the B. M. Seer.

Southwestern Enrolls
71 From Mississippi

FORT WORTH — Among the 2,036 students enrolled at Southwestern Seminary for the 1968-69 year are 71 from Mississippi. This year's enrollment is the largest in six years and the first time the total has exceeded 2,000 since 1963-64.

Included in this number are 1,236 students in the School of Theology, 610 in the School of Religious Education and 190 in the School of Church Music.

The School of Church Music enlisted the largest number of students in the history of the music school.

Students came to the seminary equipped with undergraduate educations from 257 colleges, universities and seminaries. Baylor University graduates comprise the largest number of students from any given school with a total of 158.

Students from countries outside the United States represent Argentina,

7% Increase

MC REGISTRAR REPORTS LARGEST
SECOND SEMESTER ENROLLMENT EVER

Mississippi College has experienced a seven percent increase in enrollment this semester over the corresponding time last year according to figures released by the college today.

Registrar Troy Mohon said there were 2,258 students enrolled for classes this semester as compared to 2,112 for the second semester of the 1967-68 school year or an increase of 146.

This is the largest second semester enrollment ever in the 143 year history of the institution. Last year's figure set a new mark and also was only the second time the college had more students enrolled for the spring semester than for the fall semester.

Mohon said that for the regular session, which includes both first and second semester, there were 2,693 enrollees. This is also an all-time high, eclipsing the 2,444 record established last year.

Showing the largest increase in enrollment was the graduate school, jumping from 435 last year to 562 this year, an increase of 127 students. Several new graduate programs accounted for the large increase.

This year's junior class increased by 97 over last year's class, with the figures being 527 to 624. The class added 77 new members this second

Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Nigeria, Paraguay, Philippines, Scotland, and Thailand.

semester, the largest increase by any group for the semester.

The senior and sophomore classes also showed increases this year over last. There were 530 shown registered for classes this year as compared to 499 last year, an increase of 40. The sophomores increased by 30, jumping from 372 to 402.

Mohon's figures showed a slight decline in both the special student cate-

gory and the freshman class. Only 98 students fall in the special student category this year as against 122 last year, a drop of 24. The freshman class fell from 489 to 468, a loss of 21.

In a breakdown according to sex of the 2,693 enrollees, 1,470 were male and 1,223 were female. The graduate school and special student category were the only areas where the women outnumbered the men.



Immanuel Church, Greenwood, Breaks Ground

On February 23, Immanuel Church, Greenwood, held groundbreaking services at the building site in Blue Lake Addition. Rev. Leon Emery, former interim pastor, associate, Cooperative Missions Department, brought the morning message. Left to right, representatives of the various organizations who participated: L. V. Robertson, Jr., Chairman of deacons; Belma McBride, Training Union; Shannon Clark, Brotherhood; Bob Roberson, Building Committee; John Roy Watson, Sunday school; Mrs. Bill Taylor, W.M.U.; Rev. Jimmy Dukes, pastor; Rev. Leon Emery.

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Church And Pastor

Needed In Pony

The January newsletter published by First Baptist Church, Box 934, Three Forks, Montana, Rev. Roger Hill, Pastor, contained the following: "We are becoming increasingly convinced that we need to begin mission work at Pony which is about 30 miles away. Two families from Pony are quite regular in their attendance here and several other families have Baptist preferences."

"The only church in the community is a Presbyterian Community Church. Their pastor has just resigned and the denomination has notified them that they do not plan to replace him. This leaves a church field with about 600 persons without any church at all."

"It is our conviction that we need to begin work there. It is primarily rural with three small communities. Our appraisal is that it would respond to a weekend ministry. We are looking for a student to come to Montana State University in Bozeman that could pastor in Pony on the weekends which is 60 miles away or someone interested in doing secular work and pastoring too. If you know of someone who might be interested, please let us know."

Perhaps some layman in Mississippi would consider going to Pony, leading this work and supporting himself through secular employment, or maybe some student would go or a retired pastor or layman.

Here is another field that is white unto the harvest. — Owen Cooper

Martha Gene Shutt Dies After Accident

Miss Martha Gene Shutt, 25, of Rt. 1, Florence died Monday, February 24, in the Baptist Hospital, Jackson, following an auto accident which occurred Feb. 19.

She was a lifetime resident of Rankin County and a member of First Baptist Church of Florence. She graduated from Florence High School and Jackson Commercial College. She was formerly employed with the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board with the state music department, and for the past two years was secretary for Lewis Wilson Company, Jackson.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Feb. 25, at 11 a. m. from the Baldwin Funeral Home Chapel, Highway 80 East, with Rev. Luther M. Dorr officiating. Interment was in Lakewood Memorial Park.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Shutt of Florence; one half-brother, William J. Shutt Jr., of Chatham and one sister, Mrs. Millard (Marguerite) Seben of Florence.

TORNADO-HIT GUM SPRINGS REBUILDS FAST

Gum Springs Church, Simpson County, destroyed by tornado, "let no grass grow under her feet," in reconstruction of a house of worship. Pastor Harry Gipson announced Sunday, Feb. 16, that a roof was expected to be on, electricity and heat installed, and the auditorium ready to be occupied for worship by Sunday, March 2.

Dr. R. A. Tullos, Simpson County superintendent of missions, on a Sunday in February worshipped with the congregation in the Methodist Church building at Braxton, and brought the morning message.

He reported that he found the people "optimistic and humbly grateful for the wonderful encouragement and help in materials, labor, and money received from many because of the tragic loss of their buildings and furnishings." He also said he detected what seemed to be a feeling in her leadership of responsibility, or obligation, to the cause of Christ throughout the world as a result of experiences during these recent weeks.

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Focus Week Personnel At Mississippi College

Featured during a special week of religious emphasis at Mississippi College was this group of distinguished professors, pastors, doctors, and lecturers. From left, Owen Cooper, president, Mississippi Chemical Corp.; Dr. Cecil Sherman, pastor, First Church, Asheville, N.C.; Miss Nell Magee, student work co-ordinator, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. Joe Hamilton, professor of physics at Vanderbilt University; Mrs. Joe Hamilton;

Dr. George Stak, minister of music, First Church, Decatur, Ga.; Mrs. Ralph Betha and Dr. Ralph Betha, both missionaries to India; and Dick Bumpas, Baptist Student Union director, Arkansas State University. Not pictured: Dr. Bill Pinson, professor of Christian ethics, Southwestern Seminary, and Don Shinnic, linebacker for the Baltimore Colts football team. (M.C. Photo)

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON — LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

The Meaning Of Discipleship

By Clifton J. Allen

Mark 10

Jesus was using every opportunity to teach the disciples the deep meaning of Christian discipleship. He was on the way to Jerusalem and the climax of his earthly mission, his death on the cross. As he made his way through Pere, he gave instruction about divorce, showed his appreciation of little children and declared that a childlike trust is a condition of entrance into his kingdom, used the rejection of the rich young ruler to warn the disciples about the danger of selfish ambition and the nature of true greatness. We thus learn something of the meaning of discipleship in terms of fidelity in the home, deliverance from covetousness, willingness to serve, and an attitude of trust and humility.

The Lesson Explained
Earnest Inquirer (vv. 17-20)

The man who ran to Jesus, earnestly inquiring what to do to inherit eternal life, is called the rich young ruler. He came to Jesus with eagerness and reverence, obviously with a deep sense of emptiness in his spiritual being. His riches, his circumspect life, his position as a ruler (perhaps in the synagogue), and his youthful vigor and not satisfied the deep longing of his heart. But he lacked a deep sense of need for the forgiveness of sin and deliverance from covetousness.

Though upright and earnest, this man had a false concept about the nature of goodness and the source of goodness. When Jesus said that God alone is good, he was implying his own oneness with God and trying to lead the young man to test the sincerity of his calling him "Good Master." For this man, goodness was too much a matter of not doing wrong things rather than being good in his own heart and doing good to others. He prided himself on having kept the commandments, but he had never experienced real compassion for the poor. He thought of goodness as abstinence from evil instead of penitence before God and trust in God.

Full Commitment (vv. 21-22)

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The heart of Jesus reached out toward this earnest inquirer with love and compassion. But to help him at the point of his crucial need, Jesus had to confront him with his own selfishness. He could never have eternal life without full commitment to Christ. And this commitment called for a clear-cut break with idolatrous love for and trust in possessions. He would have to get rid of the one thing standing in the way of his commitment to Jesus. Eternal life is the free gift of God through Jesus Christ. But the indispensable condition for receiving this gift is trust in and commitment to Christ as Saviour and Lord. The young man was not willing to make that commitment. He went away with a sad face and a sadder heart, still lost in the sin of unbelief. He might have had life, but he chose death.

Sobering Instruction (vv. 23-31)

Jesus took the tragic choice of the young man as an example for stern-warning and sobering instruction to the disciples. His words are not to be understood as a condemnation of wealth. Jesus knew that the love of possessions on the hearts of men, Love for money hardens the heart against God and deadens the capacity for faith. It is hard for those who trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God. Actually, it is impossible if one's trust is really placed in his riches, as impossible as for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. Only the power of God through his Spirit can break the shackles of selfishness and bring a person to repentance and trust, to a willingness to give up anything or everything that separates one from Christ.

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Golden Gate Slates 25th Anniversary Celebration

MILL VALLEY, Calif. (BP)—A banquet and two convocations featuring addresses by the president of the Southern Baptist Convention will highlight the observance of the 25th anniversary of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary here.

W. A. Criswell, pastor of the 14,000-member First Baptist Church of Dallas and president of the 11.3 million-member SBG, will speak at the two convocations.

A convocation of students, faculty, staff, trustees and the general public will be held at 8:55 a. m. Thursday, March 13; and a second session for the trustees, development council, faculty and staff, will be held that evening.

The 25th anniversary banquet will be held on the evening of March 13,

following two sessions of the board of trustees.

Anniversary observance activities will begin Tuesday, March 11, with a special chapel when W. A. Carleton, vice-president and academic dean at the seminary, will deliver a history of the seminary.

Trustees will hear the president's annual report by Harold K. Graves on Wednesday, March 12.

real live missionary to visit and tell of his work. Therefore he wanted them to pray that somehow he might be able to come. Paul had not been able to come before because of what he said was God's will.

Prayer for Mission Workers

When there is a need for workers to go to the mission fields, where do we turn? Most of the time humans begin to tell prospective workers about the needs. But Jesus told us that when there is a need for workers, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers." Why? The Lord is the one most interested in the harvest. He is the only one who is able to send them forth. Man can persuade but God calls. When the work of missions is hard, a missionary, preacher, etc., must know that he has been called. This is the Lord's work, not our own. He is the one that keeps a man on the job happy when there is sadness all around him.

The supplying of the need will depend upon prayer! Paul and Barnabas were praying when the spirit moved upon them the need of missions. If a person prays enough, he might have to go himself. Southern Baptists would never have had 2000 missionaries if we had not prayed for more when we had 1000. The workers will come if we pray.

Prayer for Lost

Paul attempted to tell Timothy, the young preacher, how the church should be conducted. One of the important tasks of the church was that of praying for the lost. All kinds of prayers should be given.

In the church's prayer for the lost no one was to be excluded—all men. The prayer was to begin with those in the highest offices. The conversion of these and the prayer for these could bring better conditions for all men. The Lord wants all people to be saved. Therefore we should pray for all people.

However, in our prayers we need to call the names of the lost before the throne of grace. Our prayers need to deal with persons. The needs of all men begin with salvation. Three characteristics are mentioned of the transformed life — godliness, honesty, knowledge of the truth.

Prayer: Essential For Missions

By Rev. Bill Duncan

A missionary was returning to his field of service after a much needed rest in America. A person, who was carrying him to the airport, asked if there was anything he knew that he needed. To this the missionary replied, "Just your prayers." There were a lot of things he could have mentioned that could have been purchased and sent but nothing as costly or as needed. Prayer is costly in that it requires time, energy, and interest. But there is nothing any more essential to the mission cause of our church.

Prayer is the secret to an effective mission program. Prayer is helpful for the missionaries and their work. A person will never be able to have a healthy outlook upon mission needs until he sees them through the eyes of God as made known in prayer. The more a man prays about missions the more he will give to missions. The Lord taught us to pray for the staff.

Prayer for Paul

Romans 15:30-33

Paul wanted the church at Rome to share in the mission ministry through prayers. This would give the church

an opportunity to support the man and the mission.

The prayer request for the missionary was threefold:

(1) Paul wanted God to deliver him from danger. Paul was afraid of the unbelieving Jews who had caused trouble to the extent that his life was in danger. Also there was the danger because he had in his possession the gift for the needy in Jerusalem. There is always the danger that any missionary must consider. There is nothing any harder to face than religious persecution. A man might be rejected by a group at any time.

(2) Paul wanted the offering and the spirit of the gift to help bind the split that was in the church. Jerusalem had been the center from which the gospel had gone out to the Gentiles. Yet the feelings were not good between the two. The missionaries must always want their service to be accepted wherever they are. The real reason prayer is so needed is in order to support our missionaries in their work. Many times they are discouraged because of the failure to succeed.

(3) Paul wanted the people of Rome to pray that he might be able to visit them. This might sound like a selfish prayer, but it is not. The visit would encourage both Paul and the church. There has never been anything as helpful for the mission interest as a

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Devotional

"Take My Yoke Upon You"

By Horace L. Kerr
Director of Education-Administration
First Church, Jackson
Matthew 11:28, 30

A child comes into the world with most of the physical equipment and mental faculties possessed by an adult. All of life is spent in the development and care of this human being. Institutions—religious, public and private—are provided to aid in the developmental process. Every environment makes its contribution. Ultimately the individual chooses from all these influences that which shapes his life and destiny.

Jesus appeals for enrollment in His school: "Take my yoke upon you." The language Jesus uses here was not uncommon to those to whom He first spoke. It was a figurative way of saying, "Become my pupils (disciples)"; "Submit to my instruction"; or, that which He also said in unfigurative language, "Learn from me." He describes Himself as a "meek" teacher as opposed to the haughty and harsh, a "humble" teacher as opposed to the proud and repulsive.

Are you enrolled in the school of Christ? The rewards are great. "Ye shall find rest unto your souls." All religions promise this, but only Christ fulfills the promise. Others may give some repose through self-delusion, but Christ gives a lasting repose to our guilt-ridden lives.

"My burden is light." To the world life may seem burdensome, but Christ is the co-bearer for anyone who takes His yoke. "My yoke is easy." His teaching is agreeable and practical and will not cramp or chafe.

Take His Yoke upon you and learn from Him the true meaning of life. His purpose for your life, and how to live the best life.

(Continued next week)

Van Winkle Calls Education Minister

Rev. Jerry Terrell, minister of education at South Hills Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, has resigned to accept the same position at Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson, and is already on the ready.

He succeeds James W. Webster who resigned to accept a similar position in New Orleans.

Mr. Terrell is a graduate of both University of Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg and Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Ft. Worth.

He served in the state of Washington as a student summer missionary as well as associate pastor of Valley Baptist Church in the same state.

Mrs. Terrell is the former Mary Ethel Dykes of Mendenhall.

Bluff Springs Pays Last Debt

February 16 was special for members of Bluff Springs Church, Pike County. The day ended their last financial obligation and placed the church clear of debt.

This was the concluding day of a two-week drive spearheaded by the Project 60-70 Committee. After the morning message the pastor, Rev. Jerry W. Nixon, asked each man who had worn his hat to church to please stand. The men were then asked to take their hats, come to the front, and for a special prayer. The second of the morning was taken, was heard to remark, "It's the good old days... money in that hat." That is what Bluff Springs members did. The hats were placed in the hats of debt and have almost nothing left over.

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Wilson Named As Executive SBC Hospital

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—The board of directors of Southern Baptist Hospital, Inc., here, has prompted Raymond C. Wilson from administrator to the newly created post of executive director, and has named three others to new administrative posts.

Wilson's new duties cover leadership of all operations of the Southern Baptist Hospital and related facilities in the New Orleans area.

In a realignment of responsibility, the board also created three new administrative positions and named persons to fill them.

J. D. Stoudenmire was named fiscal affairs administrator; Edward Clarkson was elected health care administrator, and Fred H. Willie, property services administrator. All will work under Wilson as executive director.

It is astonishing how little one feels poverty when one loves. — Edward Buwer-Lytton

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cooper

Springfield Honors Long-Time Deacon

On Baptist Men's Day at Springfield First Church, Scott County, the men paid special tribute to Luther E. Cooper.

"Mr. Luther," as he is affectionately called, has been deacon since 1934 and chairman of deacons at Springfield since 1944. He was church treasurer from 1944 to 1959, and taught the adult men's Sunday school classes for a number of years. At present, he is associate teacher.

Each deacon gave a testimony about what "Mr. Luther" had meant in his life. The deacons presented to Mr. Cooper a plaque with the dates of the years of his service engraved thereon. Mr. Cooper received a carnation corsage.

The pastor, Rev. Ed Ooley, stated, "Brother Luther Cooper has served faithfully. He remains a tremendous resource and faithful servant of our Lord. During my days as pastor here, he has always offered sound, well-balanced advice in regard to his work."

Allen Beard sang a solo, "Living for Jesus," in honor of his grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Elton Moore recently presented flowers. Members of Mr. Cooper's family present were Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Tip Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cooper, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe

He special day, laymen had charge of the services. H. Young spoke at the morning service, and D. D. Dye at the evening service. Mr. Cooper and Dwight Moore sang "My Soul on Fire." The Master's Message was presented by Rev. John C. Gillis of Mississippi Delta Junior College.

The service was designed to strengthen the counseling abilities of the par-

Names In The News

Mrs. William H. Ross, now of Huntsville, Alabama, formerly of Morton, Mississippi, is the writer of a dual assembly programs, Life and Work, in the March issue of the *Sunday School Builder*.

Wendell Blount, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Blount of Calhoun City, has been licensed to the gospel ministry by Sabougla Church, Calhoun County. He is a senior at Calhoun City High School. Rev. Oliver Hood is his pastor.

Rev. David Perry, former pastor of Unity, Greene Association, has recently accepted a call to be minister at Big Level Church, Route 1, Wiggins (Lebanon). A graduate of Clarke College and William Carey College, he is currently enrolled in his third year at New Orleans Seminary. He served Leaf and Unity (Greene) for

3½ years, after which Unity went full-time. During his ministry in Greene Association, Perry served in several places of leadership, including moderator.

Rev. Jerry G. Wise, recently became pastor of Fayette Church, Fayette. He went there from Hattiesburg Church, Route 4 Columbia, (Jeff Davis Association) where he had served for three and one-half years. He received the B. A. degree from Mississippi College and the Master of Theology degree from New Orleans Seminary. He is a native of Choctaw County. His family includes his wife, Edwina, and three children, Becky, Johnny, and Joe.

Miss Shirley Jackson, missionary who has completed furlough in the States, was scheduled to return to South Brazil on February 19 (address: Caixa 950-ZC-00, Rio de Janeiro, Guanabara, Brazil). Born in Bentonville, Ark., Miss Jackson grew up near Natchez, Miss.

Rev. Gerald Aulman, formerly pastor at Siloam, and for the past year pastor of Oak Grove Church, Smith County, has accepted a call to Mt. Zion (Simpson) and he and his family moved on the field Feb. 18.

Boyle Men Slate 100-Man Prospect Dinner For Mar. 11

Evangelism has taken on a more personal meaning to the membership of Men's Bible Class, First Church, Boyle. J. B. Hill, teacher and Elmer Prewitt, president, have announced that the men will hold the first 100 Man Prospect Dinner in the history of the church.

In answer to a challenge by their pastor, Rev. H. S. Rogers, these men listed over 100 names that they would like to see enlisted as members of their class and church. When the guest lists are all finally tabulated there will be over 150 invitations placed in the mails. This is one of the largest efforts of its kind reported by men of a Mississippi Baptist church. The dinner will be held in Caraway Hall on March 11 three days before the opening date for the church revival.

The pastor, the class teacher, and class members, Brown Ryles Sr. and W. P. Moses, met Monday, Feb. 17 to plan the dinner menu and to assign prospects to class members.

It's smart to pick your friends—but not to pieces.

Many a little squirt thinks he's a fountain of wisdom.

**Conference At MC**

Activity factors from college and university were covered at Mississippi College for a special conference on stewardship. Mrs. O'Neil (right), chairman of the department of stewardship, Mississippi College, and one of the co-ordinators for the two-day agenda with Miss B. J. Frew of Hinds Community College, was present. Rev. John C. Gillis of Mississippi Delta Junior College.

The conference was designed to strengthen the counseling abilities of the par-



Debe Blakeney, William Carey College senior, from Taipei, Taiwan, has received word that a science paper which she wrote during the summer in a special research course at Mississippi State University has been accepted for publication. Debe was called and requested to read her paper before the Mississippi Science Academy, in annual session in April. This year Debe serves as president of the Carey College Association of Women Students.

Vernester Jackson, William Carey senior, has been named for honorable mention by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. The honorable mention list for 1969-70 in Region VII (Arkansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Tennessee) includes outstanding students from only 35 colleges and universities. Miss Jackson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jackson of Hattiesburg.

Rev. Ernest L. Goff, after six years

as pastor of West Ellisville church,

Jones County, has become pastor of

Riverside Church, Pascagoula. Pre-

vious pastorates were Mountain Creek

and Star in Rankin County and First

Church, Mount Olive, in Covington

County.

Rev. Allen F. Harrod, pastor of

First Church, Shelby, has been named

an "Outstanding Young Man of

America."

Each year a biographical

compilation is sponsored by the non-

profit organization, OUTSTANDING

AMERICANS FOUNDATION, which

is co-sponsored by the National Jaycees. This volume is published to

honor outstanding young men in

America who are actively engaged

in leadership from different fields.

Harrod's name will appear with a

biographical sketch in the 1969

edition.

His leadership field is in religion.

His alma mater, Cumberland College,

Williamsburg, Ky., recommended him

for this honor. Mr. Harrod has written

an article which is scheduled for pub-

lication in the Church Administra-

tion Magazine, November, 1969.

The title is "A Pastor Speaks On If I Were a

Layman."

He is vice-moderator of

Bolivar County Association.

Alton Woolfolk Waggener

Parkway Church, Jackson has started a memorial scholarship in memory of the late Alton Woolfolk Waggener, one of five Mississippi College students killed in an automobile wreck last fall.

In establishing the scholarship, a spokesman for the church said it was hoped that contributors will create a fund which will perpetuate, through its earnings, a scholarship for young men interested in church-related vocations.

Persons desiring to contribute to the scholarship should send their checks to Jimmy Jones, minister of music, Parkway Baptist Church, 2803 W. Capitol St., Jackson. The check

should be made payable to the church with a notation that it is for the Alton Woolfolk Waggener Fund.

All contributions are tax deductible and a receipt will be mailed from the business office of Mississippi College. Church leaders are hoping to complete the drive by April 1.

Alton Woolfolk Waggener was born February 10, 1949, in Jackson. He attended French, Elementary, Hardy Junior High and Provine High School.

He was a member of the Hardy String Orchestra and received the Danforth Leadership Award in the ninth grade at Hardy.

He was a member of the Junior Symphony Orchestra seven years, the Jackson Symphony Orchestra five years and the Greenville Symphony two years. He played for Millsaps College, Mississippi College, and University of Mississippi musical productions.

Alton attended Parkway Baptist Church all of his life. He was baptized when he was nine years old. He was active in all phases of church life, attending Sunday School, B. T. U., R. A.'s and was a member of the Junior, Intermediate and Youth Choirs. He was a song leader for Sunday school and B. T. U. Departments and President of Chapel Choir for two years.

He worked for L. A. Mosher Veterinarian Supply Company three weeks in the summer of 1967 and three months in the summer of 1968.

He was the song leader for four youth-led weekend revivals and a retreat in the spring and summer of 1968.

These were sponsored by the Mississippi College B. S. U. These were at Senatobia, West, Booneville, and Bentonia.

Ragan Walters and Curtis Patrick, both of building committee, Rev. C. L. Boland, pastor stands next to Mr. Patrick. The new building will have a fellowship hall, kitchen and classrooms.

Saigon Attack Causes Missionaries Concern

The latest attack upon Saigon has not been a major one by any means, but still it is enough to cause all of us concern," reports Southern Baptist Missionary James F. Humphries in a February 24 letter to the Foreign Mission Board.

"Of course, the rockets are the hardest to take," he writes. "So far, they have not come closer than a half mile from any of our homes."

"Such attacks always hamper the missionaries' work. It surely was a strange sight Sunday to see everyone coming into Trinity Baptist Church wearing guns and flak jackets." (Most members of the church are U.S. servicemen.)

Newsmen that Humphries talked with at the armed forces television center expect increased enemy activity for a month or so, but nothing of major significance, he says.

The missionary closes his report with a request for "continued prayers for our work and the safety of our families."

All we can hold in our cold, dead hands is what we have given away.—Sanskrit Proverb

One more revival is needed, the revival of stewardship. When that revival comes the kingdom of God will come.—Horace Bushnell

SCALING DOWN

A larger-than-average woman stepped on the scales, not knowing they were out of order. The indicator stopped at 75 pounds